

Egyptian forces lose 200 tanks; drive on Damascus continues

ISRAELIS BEAT SYRIAN ARMOUR BACK EGYPTIANS IS HARD HIT

POST Military Correspondents

TEL AVIV. — The Egyptian forces yesterday lost some 200 tanks after an eight-hour armoured battle in an attempt to breach the Israeli defences along a wide sector of the Suez Canal front. They were repeatedly repulsed after launching their attack at 6 a.m.

The Egyptians opened up with an intensive 90-minute artillery barrage, followed by a massive attack of armour. It was the third consecutive day that the Egyptians attacked and observers here suggested that the determined Egyptian pressure was inevitable following the continued build-up of their forces on the east side of the Canal for the past few days.

The Egyptians are believed to have transferred more tanks across the Canal until yesterday. In yesterday's battle the Israeli ground units were actively supported by the Israeli Air Force which provided close support.

No figures were given as to the number of tanks that went into action yesterday but the battle was said to have exceeded in scale the famous World War I fight at El Alamein in which 1,450 tanks were involved, or Germany's opening move on the Russian front in June 1941, where 1,400 tanks were deployed.

A total of 19 enemy planes were brought down yesterday, 15 of them Egyptian, including two Mirages, and four Syrian aircraft.

Early morning sorties by Egyptian fighter-bombers included for the first time an undisciplined number of French-built Mirages — presumably out of the batch delivered by France to Libya.

The Israeli Air Force continued its raids against Egyptian and Syrian airfields and also provided more of its close air-to-ground support on both fronts as well as against anti-aircraft missiles and military installations in Port Said for the fourth day running.

During Saturday night Israel Navy missile boats attacked the port of Damietta in the Nile Delta, and shelled port installations.

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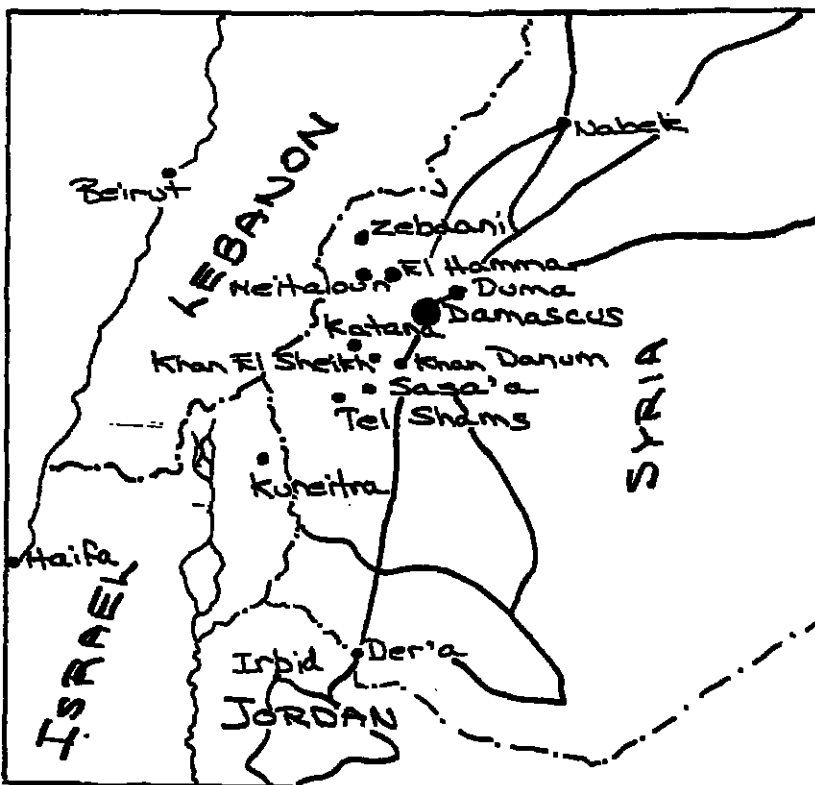
TEL AVIV. — Israeli armoured columns were yesterday reported to be some 40 kms. southwest of Damascus. By daybreak yesterday they had advanced some 10 kms. during a night of heavy fighting. During the day the fighting was limited to local skirmishes.

The Syrians are believed to be entrenching an area of outcroppings known as the Leja, stretching across the course of the Israeli advance. But yesterday's fighting was still considerably south of the point. A village known as Sasa'a was seen one of the principal objectives. It is located some 36 kms. southwest of Damascus.

The Syrians are continuing to pour reinforcements into the area still separating the Israeli advance spearhead and their own positions in the Leja. The so-called "foreign legion," comprising units from other Arab countries, is now believed to include units from Jordan as well. But there are no indications that the Jordanians intend to start fighting Israel along its own border, authoritative sources said here yesterday.

The heavy losses inflicted on the Syrian armour, particularly the crack "Assad (Lion) Guard" Division (see story on page 2) and on the Iraqis on the southern flank have considerably eased the pressure which the Syrians could have applied to stem the Israeli advance.

On the other hand, observers here expect no immediate decision as to the next direction the Israeli advance will take, that is, a head-on confrontation with the remnants of the Syrian armour or a fast-paced mopping up operation, heading south and east.



Arabs won't accept cease-fire: Decisive battle ahead—Dayan

Jerusalem Post Staff

Defence Minister Moshe Dayan said last night the fighting might end in a *de facto* cease-fire, as he did not think the Arabs would accept a signed agreement. The fighting would simply come to an end when the Arabs lost their ability to stand up to Israel militarily, he said.

In an interview over Israel TV, Mr. Dayan said almost all of Israel's military objectives on the northern front had been attained. But the "decisive battle" in the south was still ahead although it was "not too far ahead."

"I would not like to be an Egyptian when it comes," said Mr. Dayan.

Mr. Dayan spoke after reports came in from Washington that U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger had broached the idea of a cease-fire with the Russians, and had brought it up in a meeting with Foreign Minister Abba Eban on Saturday night. Prime Minister Meir said in a televised press interview that Israel would immediately consider any Arab proposal for a cease-fire.

The Defence Minister said he did not know what political formula would end the war. However, he did not believe the Arabs would agree to a signed cease-fire.

Despite the heavy losses sustained by the Syrians, they may wish to remain in a state of war. "In view of the mobilization of the Arab world, I'm not prepared to state with certainty that there will be a repetition of the events of the Six Day War when in the aftermath of their crushing defeat, the Arabs asked for a cease-fire."

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World oil supply cut one million barrels a day

BEIRUT (Reuters). — The Middle East War has deprived world markets of about one million barrels a day of crude oil from the eastern Mediterranean, according to a well-informed oil industry journal.

The weekly "Middle East Economic Survey" ("Mees"), published here this weekend, said the loss represented only three per cent of the total volume of oil moving in world trade.

"It is nevertheless a damaging blow in view of the current knife-edged balance between supply and demand and the already sky-high freight rates which will now inevitably be pushed up even further," the journal added.

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Six marauders killed in north

Six infiltrators were killed on their way from Lebanon to Israel at about 9 o'clock last night, Israel Radio reported. They were carrying bazookas and light arms. Several katyusha shells were fired last night from Lebanon at Western Galilee. There were no casualties and no damage.

War loan effort urged by Cabinet

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Cabinet yesterday called on the nation to continue its efforts to mobilize money for the War Loan fund. At its morning meeting, the Cabinet heard from the Treasury Director-General that U.S. \$350m. had so far been pledged to the voluntary loan by the various sectors of the economy. (See page 2.)

The figure did not include earnings pledged by various groups of salaried workers. Top judges and civil servants, for instance, have promised one month's salary as their contribution to the war loan.

The Treasury Director-General, Avraham Agmon, also reported on mobilization of funds by Jews the world over, and on widespread volunteering abroad.

The Cabinet decided to appoint Nahum Golan, the veteran soldier and founder of the Golan Brigade, to coordinate the volunteering from overseas. Golan was recently in charge of the Jewish Agency's aliya offices in North America.

Volunteering will be channelled through the Jewish Agency, the Cabinet decided, and preference will be given to professionals and persons with useful trades.

Labour Minister Yosef Almogi reported to the Cabinet on volunteering within Israel itself and on the manpower situation in the economy.

Knesset to meet tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset will convene in special session tomorrow at 11 a.m. to hear Prime Minister Golda Meir deliver a Government statement, and to pass the War Loan Law.

Following an emergency procedure, the Knesset will give the bill all three readings on the same day so that it can be put into effect forthwith.

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656 ISRAELIS KILLED IN EIGHT DAYS OF WAR

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent
TEL AVIV. — The Army spokesmen yesterday announced that 656 Israeli soldiers had been killed in the war since the beginning of the war eight days ago. The figures have been confirmed by the Ministry of Defense.

The only name disclosed was that of a soldier killed in the fighting in the Sinai. No details were given of the circumstances of his death or of the date of his death.

Announcements were also made to families of missing men known to have been taken prisoner.

There are also about 2,000 wounded in hospitals.

Defence Minister Moshe Dayan said the casualties of the war were announced after the fighting and the nation could then join in mourning. "Now we are in the midst of war and we cannot give public expression to our profound sorrow. We must fight fearlessly, with the faith and courage of a nation aware that it is fighting for its life."

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Israel protest to Paris on Mirages

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel has protested to France over the appearance yesterday of French built Mirage aircraft in Egyptian attacks over Sinai. The French warplanes are assumed to have reached Egypt via Libya — to which France continues to supply these planes despite Israeli warnings that they would be passed on to Egypt.

The French arms embargo to the Middle East covers only "front-line" states in the conflict, and Libya is not considered such a state. France has ignored warnings and even evidence adduced by Israel that the Mirages find their way into Egyptian arsenals.

Israel's protest was delivered by the Assistant Director-General at the Foreign Ministry, Yohanan Meron, to the French chargé d'affaires in Tel Aviv, Jacques Gaultier de la Ferrière. (See story — Page 4)

Cabinet briefed on situation at fronts

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Cabinet met for three-and-a-half hours yesterday morning — its first full session since Friday. The Chief of Staff reported on the situation on the fronts, and the Prime Minister reviewed political developments.

The Ministers of Interior and Justice reported on problems connected with the national and municipal elections, which are set for October 30. All factions are agreed that the polls ought to be postponed and the Cabinet was told that the issue would be discussed shortly.

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Forecast: Clear, with further rise in temperatures.
Weather Synopsis: Ridge extends from Turkey to eastern Mediterranean and Egypt.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	Today's Forecast
Jerusalem	21	14-26	15-28
Golan	21	14-26	15-28
Nahariya	59	17-27	18-28
Safed	59	17-27	18-28
Haifa Port	69	19-28	20-29
Tiberias	45	17-20	18-23
Nazareth	45	17-20	18-23
Afula	45	17-20	18-23
Shomron	32	16-26	18-27
Tel Aviv	62	18-26	19-28
Los Airport	48	18-26	19-28
Jericho	32	18-28	19-29
Gaza	59	18-26	19-28
Beer Sheva	45	14-29	17-31
Eilat	20	20-32	21-34
Tiran Straits	30	23-32	24-36

3 terrorists killed near Metulla

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEBERIAS. — Three heavily armed terrorists were killed Saturday night in an encounter with an Israeli patrol near Metulla. They were part of a band which apparently intended to shell Israeli border settlements in that area.

The three bodies were found after an exchange of fire about an hour before midnight. Found near them were 10 bazooka rockets and two launchers, a machinegun and their personal weapons.
Terrorists have been active along the Lebanese border almost every night since the outbreak of the war. Saturday night Katyusha rockets were fired at Yiftah, Migav Am and Betzet. No damage or casualties were reported.

Aluf Mendler, commander of Sinai forces



Jerusalem Post Reporter
Aluf Avraham Mendler, 44, whose death in the fighting was announced yesterday (the only name made public so far), commanded one of the formations on the Sinai front.

Aluf Mendler was Commander of the Armoured Forces in Sinai, from September 1972. He was due to have been assigned to a new post on October 7, and was to have been relieved by T/A Kaiman Magen, 44. The war broke out one day earlier, and Aluf Mendler remained at his post.

Aluf Mendler was born in Austria in 1929. After arriving in this country in 1940, he joined the Gadsa. He took part in the Nahshon Operation, and later served with "Samson's Foxes" — an elite jeep corps. He was an officer with the 54th Gadi Regiment, which, during the War of Independence, broke through the Egyptian lines into the Negev. While serving with the 54th he was wounded.

In 1950 he left the service, only to return several months later, continuing to serve as an operations and training officer until the Sinai Campaign. During the Campaign he served under the present Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf David Elazar.

Aluf Mendler headed both infantry (Golani) and armoured battalions, and in 1965 was appointed regiment commander.

In the Six Day War he commanded the regiment which took the Golan Heights and conquered Kuneitra. In 1968 he was appointed deputy commander of the Armoured Corps — a post he held till his 1972 promotion.

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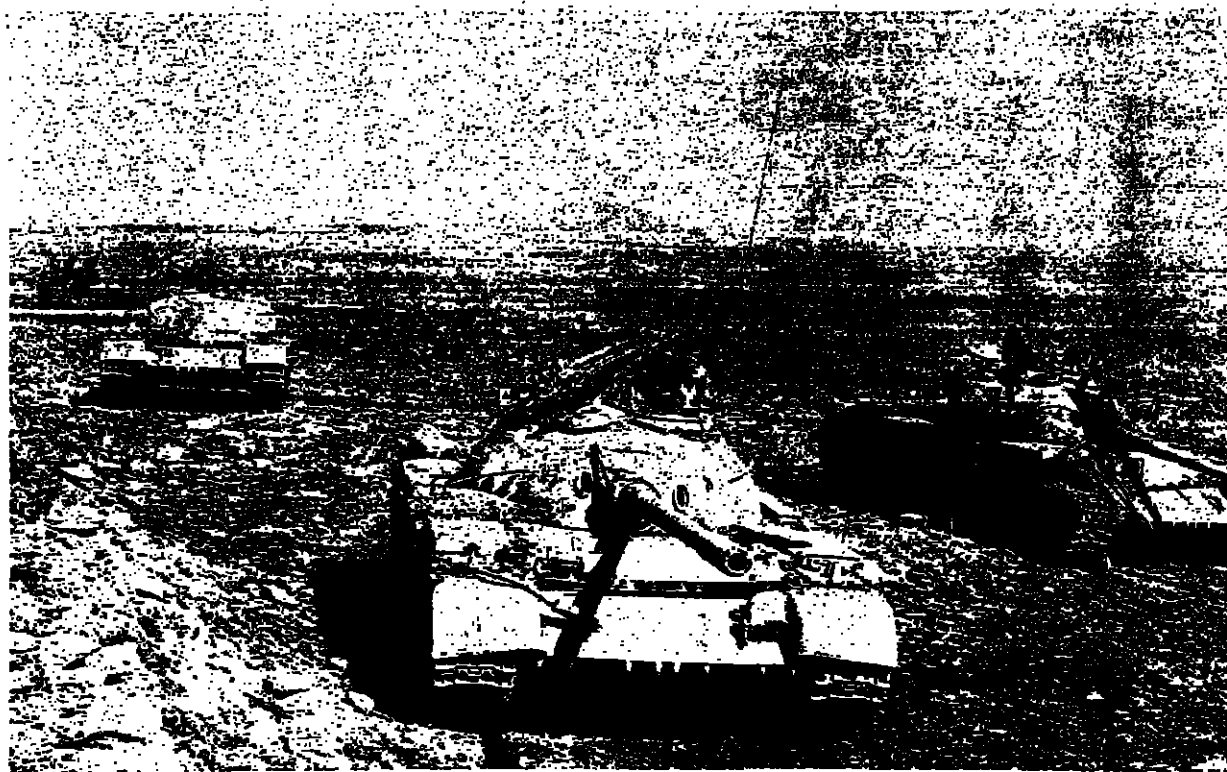
been either a pre-emptive attack or full-scale permanent mobilization.
The second alternative would have meant disruption of orderly civilian life and Israel took the risk of not exercising this option. Only the Air Force had been maintained at its full strength, he said.

Israel "did not err" by abstaining from a pre-emptive strike, he said. It was a measure that could be adopted only when it was certain the other side intended to attack. For two years Israel had lived with the risk. It was only "a few short hours" before the Arabs attacked that Israel knew they would do so. "Their fingers had been on the trigger for two years. A surprise attack meant simply that they pressed the trigger."

Mr. Dayan stressed that nothing had been neglected to develop every aspect of Israel's military deterrent. Israel had everything it needed to meet an attack. But here the Defence Minister singled out the personal anti-tank shoulder missiles supplied to the Arabs by the Russians. "We were not able to acquire them nor were we able to manufacture them ourselves."

In his radio interview, Mr. Dayan said he regretted that the Arabs still did not accept Israel's existence. He said the future must be considered "by positive thinking" and advised "we must build up a strong society protected by viable, defensible borders safeguarded by a strong army — the best guarantee of Israel's security." He hoped that this would enable the building of such relations with our neighbors that some time in the future they would come to terms with Israel's existence and accept the Jewish state.

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Tanks abandoned on the Golan Heights by the retreating Syrian army.

Pride of Soviet armour scorched, shattered
Opening the road to Damascus

By RONNIE HOPE
Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent
GOLAN HEIGHTS. — About fifty T62 tanks, the pride of the Soviet Union's armaments industry, lie scorched and shattered on a slope near the foot of Mount Hermon. Inside the tanks and around them are the charred bodies of dozens of soldiers of what used to be the crack armoured brigade of the Syrian Army — "Assad's" (lion's) guards, so-called because its chief purpose was to protect the Syrian regime and its capital.

Altogether, about 150 of the brigade's tanks — at least two-thirds of its strength — were knocked out after they were thrown into battle last Monday night when Israel took the offensive on the Golan Heights, after successfully blocking the Syrian invasion and throwing the enemy back to the old cease-fire line. Senior staff officers describing the offensive and breakthrough of the last five days to correspondents yesterday, said it was a costly and exceedingly difficult operation. But it had succeeded in knocking the Syrians off balance, paving the way for the present battle for the approaches to Damascus.

The officers were full of praise for the way the breakthrough was conducted and singled out two operations: the classic flanking attack on an Assad brigade destroyed near Hermon, and the destruction of an Iraqi brigade in 90 minutes of fighting on the southern flank of the Israeli thrust on Saturday.

The Israeli force which took on the spearhead of the Assad brigade was outnumbered. Nevertheless, it lost only a few of its Centurion tanks to the 50 T62s it put out of action.

"The Israeli commander will unquestionably be remembered as one of the heroes of this war," said one officer yesterday. In a series of brilliant moves he deployed his units, first to block the Syrian force and decoy them into his ambush, and then to outflank them and pick them off, mostly from the rear.

The battle took about five hours. The Syrian tanks were equipped with the latest infra-red instruments, to overcome the disadvantage of the unaccustomed night fighting.

Most of the tanks strewn around the battlefield are burnt-out wrecks. Inside those that were captured intact everything was bright and gleaming — evidence that this was their first battle.

SMOOTH-BORED GUNS

Their 115mm. guns are smooth-bored, which means they lack the rifling which gives projectiles fired from guns the spinning motion which provides stability. Instead, the shells are equipped with fins which pop out when the shell is in flight. The lack of rifling enables the gun to fire missiles as well as shells. The tank also has a low silhouette and its body is engineered to ensure the least possible vulnerability to direct hits.

The Air Force has played a key role in this battle. The Israeli fighters both serve as an umbrella, protecting the ground forces from enemy aircraft, and also provide close support, attacking enemy armour.

Contact with the Iraqi division was first made when they attacked the southern flank of the Israeli forces on Friday night. This encounter was brief, but during the rest of the night preparations were made for the Israelis. Over 70 of their tanks were advanced northwards.

In a 90-minute battle, the entire Iraqi brigade, about a third of their division, was wiped out.
The fact that the Israeli unit suffered no losses at all in men or tanks in this engagement is seen as evidence of the poor standard of the Iraqi fighting capability. However, as an Israeli officer pointed out, it must be said to their credit that they did try to fight and retreat from the ambush in an orderly manner — "that they didn't succeed wasn't their fault but ours." He also pointed out that the Iraqis were thrown into the battle without proper preparation, to save the Syrians' skin.

But the battle was not against the Iraqis alone. In order to prepare, the Israeli armour had to penetrate deep into the Syrian deployment of artillery, infantry and remnants of armoured units arrayed along the southern sector of the former Golan Heights cease-fire line. And as the Iraqis were wiped out, the Israeli units pressed on, mopping up the Syrian positions.

"This was an operation the like of which I have never seen described in any war book," said an Israeli officer. He said the Syrians and Iraqis lost at least 120 tanks on Saturday alone.
Elimination of the major part of the Iraqi force which, despite its low level of fighting ability, had still been a fresh, well-equipped force threatening Israel's southern flank, made it possible for Israel to concentrate on the battle for the approaches to Damascus. The Syrian forces along the southern stretch of the old cease-fire line were being held there by an Israeli force occupying positions more or less along the cease-fire line. They could therefore not move northwards to the capital, for fear of exposing the entire Syrian southern flank.
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The Israeli penetration of the Syrian lines, built in strict accordance with Soviet doctrine, had been achieved with fewer losses than are usually incurred in penetrating heavily fortified lines. This was not only because the enemy had lost his military balance but also because his morale had sagged after being repulsed from the initial gains which made him "intoxicated with an imagined victory."

Our victories give the men the energy to go on. Saturday's victory was as good as two nights' sleep. He stressed that one of the major considerations in deciding future moves was the desire to keep casualties to a minimum, while pressing the enemy all the time, advancing, and hitting with maximum effect.

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'We made history'

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH

Jerusalem Post Reporter
ON THE SYRIAN FRONT — The road to Damascus passes through a stony, impoverished countryside more sooty-looking yesterday by the line of blasted war vehicles stretching for some 25 kilometres from the cease-fire lines in the wake of the Israeli Army's advance.

The villages along the road consist of small houses made of mud and stone. There are a few trees and a few scraggly fields. But it is the barren fields of stone that fix the area's desolate character.

No inhabitants were found in the villages, but Israeli troops yesterday afternoon were still flushing out dozens of Syrian troops from bunkers well behind the line.

A number of reporters managed to travel into Syria for some 22 kilometres yesterday before being halted by soldiers warning of shelling ahead. A low ridge line four kilometres ahead was being steadily pounded by artillery as Israeli troops closed in on the sizable town of Sasa. The commander of a long-range artillery unit — a soft-spoken professional soldier — said his guns had shelled the outskirts of Damascus, but he declined to go into details.

At one of the bunkered defence lines straddling the road a soldier told how the position had been captured by his unit the night before. They had attacked, killed 10 and taken 50 prisoners. The other defenders had fled. The Syrian tanks which had defended the post had pulled back as the attack began but had been attacked by Israeli tanks as they fled. It was the unit's first battle since the war began and they were in high spirits at the outcome.

Also in high spirits was a bearded soldier with a fine tenor voice who was standing on the side of the road singing "Hashkiron Assa Eltoris" (The Armoured Corps made history). He said his unit had a few hours earlier downed a low-flying Sukhoi bomber with a first-hand shot. Two planes had been downed in the same manner the day before.

"In the Six Day War, the men always ducked when they saw an enemy plane," said an officer. "Now everyone is looking for an opportunity to shoot one down."

Did they want to go on to Damascus? "It would not be easy," said one man, "but we realize the importance of the task and we're willing to go on."

At a Centurion tank position, a group of officers and men described the settlement they would like to see on the Syrian front after the shooting stops. "I want to see us go on to Damascus," said a captain named Amos, "so that we can impose a suitable settlement on Syria."

Army to release key personnel in war effort

By MACABEE DEAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Key personnel in industries serving the war effort will be released from active service shortly, according to a decision reached yesterday between Mark Moscovici, president of the Manufacturers Association, and the committee of directors-general of the various Ministries. Such personnel will be released unless they are of vital importance to the armed forces.
It is believed that those released will be limited to plant directors, highly skilled workers, foremen.
It was also decided to release heavy vehicles normally engaged in transporting export cargoes to ports or essential imports to factories.

VOLUNTARY WAR LOAN DRIVE
IL1,000m. target is 'realistic,'
IL350 m. bought by individuals

Jerusalem Post Staff

Contributions rose to IL350m. on the third day of the Voluntary War Loan. This figure covers only individual purchases made at fund headquarters, and does not include bonds acquired by the general public at the banks, or contributions in the various plants and offices to be defrayed out of salaries, according to the Treasury spokesman.
The sums pouring in are apart from the immediate deductions for the Compulsory Loan. "The Voluntary Loan is supposed to match the billion-pound target set for the Compulsory Loan. This quota, which seemed ambitious at first, now begins to look realistic," a senior official told *The Jerusalem Post* last night.

Queues of would-be contributors crowded into the banks all over the country yesterday. Many of those waiting in line were women, according to an *Itim* reporter; and the bank clerks receiving the payments were often women too, because most of the men are away on active service.

Works committees are also fixing targets for the loan. Employees in Histadrut enterprises decided that their contribution should be a week's wages for those who earn less than IL1,500 a month, and a fortnight's wages for those who earn more. They will subscribe IL10m. between them apart from the Compulsory Loan.

A MONTH'S SALARY
Knesset Members, Supreme Court judges and the two Chief Rabbis are allocating a month's salary. So are heads and deputy heads of local authorities, senior police officers and senior officials in the Housing Ministry, the National Insurance Institute, the Jewish Agency, and Koor Industries.

The Chamber of Advocates informed Civil Service Commissioners, Yehoshua Nitzan that they have decided to invest the entire retroactive wage increase of their latest collective agreement. This is equivalent to six weeks' pay.

Rabbis will make an appeal in their sermons on the last two days of Succot (ending Simhat Torah). The Tel Aviv Religious Council has already called on the sextons of the city's 700 synagogues to set aside one-fifth of their congregants' revenue during the last year for the War Loan. The Hevra Kadisha in Tel Aviv is buying bonds for IL250,000, and calls on other Hevra Kadisha to do likewise. Neve Oz synagogue in Petah Tikva is earmarking half the funds in its account. The sum comes to IL5,000.

Kadish (Moslem judges) of the shariya courts are putting up a month's salary. This decision was made known by the Ministry for Religious Affairs. Secretaries of the Moslem courts will contribute a fortnight's salary, and junior staff a week's salary. The Kadish took the opportunity of wishing the Israeli Defence Forces a speedy and complete victory.

The Union of Local Authorities called on member cities to cut back their development budgets by a total of IL25m., and use this sum to buy bonds.

The Tel Aviv-Jaffa Municipal Workers Organization yesterday decided that all municipal employees would contribute two weeks' salary to the Voluntary War Loan. The decision will be passed on to the workers.

GERMAN PENSIONS

The chairman of the World Union of Nazi Victims, Tuva Friedman, called on all recipients of monthly pensions from Germany to contribute at least half a month's pension to the Defence Ministry. He stated the campaign by sending the Ministry his own monthly pension, in the sum of 260 German marks.

A public council to encourage voluntary contributions has been set up in Tel Aviv following a meeting between Mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz and the head of the National War Loan Committee, Yitzhak Rabin.

Industrialist Yisrael Polak will head the local committee and will be aided by Aluf (res.) Ephraim Ben-Ari, the secretary of the local Labour Council, Uri Alpert, and the chairman of Mifal Hapayis, Yitzhak Oren. The committee's headquarters will be in the Mifal Hapayis building.

Another council was set up in Jerusalem, headed by Katriel Tchorsch, with headquarters in the Tefahot Bank. A total of IL10m. was pledged at the first meeting of the council yesterday. In Rishon Lezion, Mayor

INFORMATION ABOUT wounded hospitalized at Haifa's Rothschild Hospital can be obtained by calling 04-532418 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. At night call 04-645321, the hospital announced. (Numbers for other hospitals appeared in yesterday's *Post*.)

Hananya Gibeitlied the bonds purchased by acquiring IL200,000 worth. All employees in the Abu Rodeis oilfield are contributing a full month's salary, which should bring IL2m. Makhteshim in Beersheba signed up for IL80,000, over and above the compulsory loan to be paid by all business companies. Yehuda Ashim is pledging IL1m. the Electricity Company's employees IL2m. (plus IL75,000 to the Soldiers Welfare Association). A Holon contractor, A. Bernovich, undertook to buy IL1m. of bonds.
Newspapers are chipping in as well. "Maariv" and "Yedioth Aharnon" took up IL300,000 each (and staff members resolved to devote their 13th-month salary to the loan, a total of IL500,000 in each paper). *The Jerusalem Post* is contributing IL100,000 and the Publications Com-



Over IL16,000 was raised for the Soldiers Welfare Association at the Jerusalem Philharmonic Orchestra concert at the Jerusalem Philharmonic yesterday afternoon. Violinists Isaac Stern and Pinhas Zukerman (above) and pianist Eugenia Zukerman were featured in a programme of sonatas and trios. Mr. Stern arrived here from U.S. only yesterday morning and plans to appear in a number of other benefit concerts. A concert on Friday afternoon conducted by Daniel Barenboim raised over IL20,000. Admission to concerts was free, with the overflow audiences making voluminous contributions to the Soldiers Welfare Association, the music spokesman said.

Piron supervises temporary burial

The Chief Army Chaplain, Tat-Aluf Mordechai Piron, has been touring temporary cemeteries for those who fell in the war, supervising the burial and identification procedures. The Chief Chaplain also toured the northern and southern fronts, personally directing the teams charged with the evacuation of wounded and identification, the Government Press Office said yesterday.

In accordance with an IDF decision, the fallen were buried in temporary cemeteries set aside for this purpose until the families chose the final burial place. Reinterment is carried out according to halacha after at least 12 months have passed from the time of the families' notification.

The army chaplaincy is providing the bereaved families with a pamphlet containing the halachic rules for the seven days of mourning to commence after Succot. The pamphlet eulogizes those who gave their lives defending the home front.

5,000 registers for war jobs

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Some 5,000 persons from all over the country responded to the Voluntary War Work Centre registered yesterday at employment bureaus in the four major cities. Work was found immediately for those possessing special skills about 2,000. The rest will be as suitable vacancies become available.

The Voluntary War Work Centre it clear that all volunteers will be paid union salaries as laid out in the existing work contracts, any one wishing to waive his salary can donate it to the Voluntary War Loan.

Foreign students at Tel Aviv University, who have volunteered for war jobs, insist on working some cases two shifts a day, are employed mainly in fact supplying food to the army, kibbutzim, and in hospitals.
(More on volunteers, page 3)

The Minister of Health
The Ministry Administration
and Staff
mourn the untimely death of

NEHAMA BARZELAI
née Mackower,

a veteran worker in the Ministry,
widow of the late Minister, Israel Barzelai,
and share the grief of the family

In deepest sorrow, I announce the passing away
of my beloved husband

ALEXANDER POKRASSOSS

SOPHIE POKRASSOSS

October 9, 1973.

In deep sorrow we announce the passing of our beloved
mother, sister and grandmother

HANA HEYMANN
(née Sternberg)

The funeral will take place at Kfar Samir, Haifa on
October 15, 1973 at 10.00 a.m.

Hannelore Ferst
Werner Heymann
Else Harwick
all the grandchildren

The Minister of Labour
and the Ministry Administration

share the grief of the International Labour Organization
on the death of their Director-General

WILFRED JENKS

an active and impressive leader
in the service of labour and social justice

On behalf of myself and my Company,
I express my deep sympathy to

Mr. Paul Silberstein
on the passing of his wife

DUSHY

G. P. Tanselg
General Manager of Alitalia in Israel

Our heartfelt sympathy and condolences
to our friend

PAUL SILBERSTEIN
on the passing of his wife

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Milo Wolfsohn Family
Reuven Gefner Family
Max Tamari Family

הנהגה מנהל

Paris silent on charge Libyan Mirages in war

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The French Foreign Ministry withheld comment yesterday on Israeli claims that Libya's French-built Mirage warplanes are taking part in the Middle East War.

Official sources said Foreign Minister Michel Jobert is studying Israel's formal diplomatic protest, which alleges that two Libyan Mirages have been shot down over the Suez Canal.

But the French sources indicated that until evidence comes from other sources, France was unlikely to accept the Israeli charges against Libya.

These sources said they preferred to discount the Israeli claims for the time being. In their opinion, Libyan President Muammar Gaddafi would probably have announced his contribution to the Arab war effort if he had sent Mirages to the Sinai battle front.

News that Libya's Mirages are taking part in the war comes at a particularly embarrassing moment for President Georges Pompidou. Premier Pierre Messmer is due to defend French policy during a debate on the Middle East in the National Assembly on Wednesday.

Jean Lecanuet, leader of the middle-of-the-road Reform Party, said here yesterday that the Israeli protest ought to persuade France to stop shipping Mirages to Libya.

Syrians kept foreign ships in port

ISENDERUN, Turkey (Reuters).

— The captain of a Japanese cargo ship sunk in an Israeli air raid on the Syrian port of Latakia, last week, said here yesterday that the Syrians had kept his vessel in port in the hope of preventing the Israelis attacking.

"The Syrians told us there was no chance of the Israelis attacking the port while foreign ships were in the harbour," the master of the Yamashiro Maru, Captain M. Sekono, said.

The 10,000-ton Japanese ship and a Greek ship were sunk in the raid, and a Soviet vessel was badly damaged.

The 37 officers and crew of the Japanese ship escaped from the burning ship by diving overboard, a crew member said.

'Egypt to consult with Europeans on opening Canal'

KUWAIT (UPI). — A three-man Egyptian committee has been formed to consult European companies on clearing the Suez Canal and reopening it for navigation, the Kuwait newspaper "Daily News" said yesterday.

Quoting sources in Cairo, the newspaper said the decision to dispatch the committee showed that "Egypt has strengthened its position on the eastern bank of the Canal" to the extent that it will be able to guarantee safety of navigation in the Canal.

The newspaper said the committee will fly to Paris and London shortly to discuss this project with companies there.

Embassies have no plans to leave Cairo

CAIRO (UPI). — Western embassies in Cairo have not asked their nationals living in Egypt to leave because of the war, but some Western residents are going home on their own.

A West German Embassy spokesman said more than 300 West Germans — about 250 of them women and children — are due to leave from Alexandria today aboard a freighter. They will go to Crete and continue the trip home by plane, he said.

The Swedish Embassy said 27 Swedish residents and 36 tourists left Alexandria yesterday aboard a tanker and cargo ship.

British and American diplomats said they had standing contingency plans for evacuation, which in their practice at their embassies all over the world. These plans had not been set in motion yet in Egypt.

"We see no strong reason for asking our nationals to leave," a British spokesman said.

The British community in Egypt is about 800 strong, and the American community comprises about 1,150 persons.

Several hundred Russians — diplomatic officials and others — left Egypt before the war broke out and immediately afterwards, according to diplomatic sources.



A Syrian prisoner of war is taken from a foxhole by Israeli troops yesterday in southwest Syria. (AP radiophoto)



An elderly couple hangs a white flag outside their home in a mostly deserted village near the road to Damascus, while their dog, oblivious of the troops passing by, has its afternoon meal (right). Most of the hill country villages in the path of the Israel Army have been evacuated. (Israel Army photo)

Moscow police beat 2 Jewish demonstrators

MOSCOW (Reuters). — Jewish sources said that Soviet police severely beat up two young Jews detained after a short-lived demonstration outside Communist Party headquarters here on Saturday.

The sources said that after being beaten up at Moscow's 46th District police station, Iona Kolchinsky and Alexander Slepak were transferred to another police station with Evgenia Kershner, a Jewish girl who was the only other demonstrator.

Today, the three will face charges of disobeying the militia's orders, for which they could be fined or sentenced to between 10 and 15 days' imprisonment, the sources said.

On Saturday, the three stood outside the Party headquarters with paper banners explaining that they considered themselves Israeli prisoners of war in Russia, and demanding either to be granted visas for Israel or to be put in a Soviet p.o.w. camp.

Five Western correspondents who watched the demonstration were later detained for more than an hour and questioned by the deputy head of Moscow's police, Col. Myrikov.

Tunis resumes Jordan ties

TUNIS (Reuters). — Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba yesterday decided to re-establish diplomatic relations with Jordan, the Tunis Africa Press news agency (TAP) reported.

The agency added that moves towards the re-establishment of ties were already under way.

Jordan broke off diplomatic relations with Tunisia on July 17, after President Bourguiba described Jordan as an artificial state.

According to TAP, the decision to resume relations followed an appeal by President Bourguiba on Thursday to all Arab countries to rise above their differences, particularly calling on the Jordanian Government to support the Arab forces in what he called their struggle against aggression.

Bourguiba sees prolonged war

NEW YORK (INA). — The "New York Times" reported on Saturday that Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba, who tried last summer to get Arabs and Israelis to negotiate, yesterday said he was ready to try again if he receives any encouragement from the Israeli side.

Bourguiba predicted in an interview that the present fighting would settle down to a prolonged war of attrition which would adversely affect the Israeli economy.

"Then, perhaps," he said, "Israel will be more disposed to talking peace."

Turkey votes for Assembly as martial law is ended

ANKARA (Reuters). — Armed forces leaders, whose troops are apparently back in their barracks after the end of martial law, were among the first to vote yesterday as Turkey held a general election to restore full civilian rule.

Nearly 3,000 candidates from eight political parties are standing for election to the 450-seat National Assembly — the lower house of the Turkish parliament — and the 50-seat Senate.

Martial law was imposed in 11 out of the 67 provinces in April 1971, after a wave of political violence which was followed by a big crack-

down on leftwingers. Now that martial law has ended, troops have been told that they can only vote if they are dressed in civilian clothes.

Queues formed soon after polling stations opened. Among the first of the 17 million electorate to vote was President Fahri Koruturk, accompanied by his wife.

It was the refusal by the politicians six months ago to accept an army attempt to impose General Faruk Kerim, the armed forces chief, as head of state that led to the return of full party democracy after two and a half years of back-stage military rule.



A Norwegian U.N. observer and his wife and daughter, killed in an Israeli air raid on Damascus last Tuesday, were given an official burial in the Syrian capital yesterday. Here U.N. truce observers bury the family. Foreign Minister Abba Eban sent a letter of condolence to the Norwegian Foreign Ministry saying the family were "innocent victims of a war which was forced on Israel by Syria." (AP radiophoto)

U.S. bows to Libya demand to use Arabic in passports

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — The U.S. has resolved a long-standing dispute with Libya by agreeing to use Arabic in the passports of Americans traveling to the North African country, a State Department official said yesterday.

The U.S. Government had long resisted the Libyan demand that details in U.S. passports should include Arabic, and the row led earlier this year to a U.S. diplomat being declared persona non grata in Tripoli.

A State Department spokesman said yesterday the dispute ended after Libya recently waived its demand over the use of Arabic, so that some 400 U.S. tourists could pass through the country.

The spokesman said the U.S. Administration last Wednesday expressed its appreciation to Libya for its cooperation, and at the same time informed Libya of its decision to use Arabic in its passports.

Expressions of solidarity pouring in from world over

Jerusalem Post Reporter. — The Amsterdam City Council yesterday sent Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek a telegram expressing solidarity with Israel in its struggle. All factions on the Council joined in signing the telegram, the municipal spokesman said.

A similar message was received from the Mayor of Copenhagen last week. West Berlin Mayor B. Schuster telephoned on Tuesday asking Mayor Kollek's endorsement for a solidarity meeting to be held in the city.

Prime Minister Golda Meir received, among others, a telegram from former U.S. President Hubert Humphrey, expressing his "strongest wish that you will be able to repulse the attack on your country and restore peace to the area."

Israelis relax in a Syrian bunker

By GERRARD LOUGHRAN
UPI Correspondent

At 8 a.m. yesterday eight Syria soldiers manned their Soviet-built 80 mm. anti-tank gun against Israeli spearheads advancing down the Damascus road.

At 11 a.m. they were prisoners, hands tied behind their back, sitting outside their bunker, which was occupied by Israeli troops eating tomatoes, rye bread and jam and peaches from a tin.

One of the Israelis said: "There was no fight. They were frightened. They were frightened we would kill them."

The main battle yesterday was further down the road, towards the Syrian capital, although Syria's heavy artillery continued to pour positions lining the main highway. One of the prisoners had shed shoes and pink socks. There was blood on one man's face and he kept shaking his head to ward off the swarms of flies that infested the area.

Otherwise the Syrians seemed unhurt.

An Israeli soldier said one of the prisoners was suspected of being a Palestinian terrorist. The suspicion seemed to be based on the fact that he had long hair while the other had short, military haircuts.

The young Israelis loaded the prisoners aboard an armored half-track which drove off towards the rear areas. The prisoners had been taken to the rear areas in a half-track crammed with 2 Syrian prisoners, most of them in camouflage jackets.

Very few army trucks move down to the fighting areas as the Syrian guns hurled shells into the black, volcanic terrain, littered with wreckage. A Syrian vehicle with Israeli troops lining the road or dug in on its sides.

There was less air activity than on Saturday.

Two Sukhoi's dropped a cluster of bombs in a strike apparently coordinated with Syrian artillery against an Israeli gun position. The attack caused no apparent damage.

In the rear areas ammunition trucks moved up to the cease-fire line. Much captured Syrian armor that was assembled in the area has been moved.

A soldier chased a chicken through the garden of a wrecked house.

Under a tap in the middle of the field, Israeli troops bathed naked. Elsewhere, they lolled in the shade of their vehicles. Some gave new men letters to take back to Tel Aviv.

Brandt says war could spread

BONN (UPI). — Chancellor Willy Brandt said yesterday there is the risk of an expansion of the new war in the Middle East.

In reply to a television interviewer's question whether he believed that the Middle East war bore the risk of an expansion, the Chancellor said: "This question cannot simply be answered with 'no.'"

Brandt added: "I believe the two world powers will make great efforts, lest they get involved in the conflict. But there is no doubt that there is the risk of an expansion," Mr. Brandt said.

Brandt also confirmed reports that he has been exchanging messages with Soviet Communist Party Secretary Leonid Brezhnev.

"I do not want to deny — why should I do so — there has been an exchange of messages in the past week. It is not useful and it also would not serve the cause, if the content of such messages were published."

Brandt added, "But I can say that this exchange concerned itself with the question if something can be done, how it can be done, to guarantee Israel's right to live and security, as well as that of the other states in the region."

Brandt said that the military conflict in the Middle East "constitutes a burden for efforts towards relaxation of tension."

"Nevertheless, one will soon return to the understanding that such a conflict before Europe's front-door is a new challenge for bringing about more security and relaxation of tension," the Chancellor said.

Meir wishes B-G happy birthday

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Premier Golda Meir yesterday sent the greetings of the Cabinet to former Premier David Ben-Gurion on the occasion of his 87th birthday, which he marked at his Tel Aviv home with family.

All birthday celebrations were cancelled due to the war.

In her message to B-G, Mrs. Meir wrote: "We are fully assured of our capacity to withstand the Arab states' attacks. You have a decisive share in the building up of that capacity. We wish you many years of health, and hope to see the day of genuine peace together with you."

The former Premier is recuperating from a recent attack of pneumonia.

Egypt protests alleged U.S. planes' fly-over

CAIRO (AP). — Egypt issued a sharp protest to Washington Saturday night, after alleging that two U.S. supersonic reconnaissance planes flew over Egypt earlier in the day.

Acting Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy warned of the "consequences that may result from such aggressions," the semi-official "Al-Ahram" newspaper said.

Fahmy called in acting U.S. mission chief Richard Smith to deliver the protest and asked him to relay it immediately to Washington.

THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS

TELEPHONE CENTRES IN HOSPITALS TO CHECK UP ON THE CONDITION OF WOUNDED SOLDIERS

The Ministry of Communications announces that special telephone centres have been set up in hospitals throughout the country for the public to check upon the condition of wounded soldiers.

These centres will not serve for communications with the hospitals for other matters. The normal telephone numbers will continue to be used for these matters. The following telephone numbers replace all telephone numbers of hospital published in the past few days to check up on the condition of the wounded.

JERUSALEM AREA

Hadassah: 02-35202 (4 lines)

Sha'arei Zedek: 02-222247 (3 lines)

CENTRAL AREA

Beilinson: 03-623311 (6 lines)

Hasharon: 03-624522 (4 lines)

Ichilov: 03-261212 (4 lines)

Kaplan: 03-0623393 (2 lines)

Assaf Harofeh: 03-624964

Meir: 03-622971 (2 lines)

Sheba (Tel Hashomer): 03-757155

NORTHERN AREA

Please note that for all hospitals in the Northern Area, the area code 04- should be used (and not the area codes for Safad, Tiberias and Afula).

Rambam: 04-512281 (4 lines)

Safad: 04-663164 (2 lines)

Afula: 04-663147 (2 lines)

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Mass street riots bring down Thai Premier, hundreds killed



THANOM KITTIKACHORN

in the Bangkok area would close until the situation returned to normal. The authorities ordered students out of the Thammamasaat campus and announced a 10 p.m. curfew throughout the Capital.

Ambulances rushed back and forth carrying scores of injured persons to hospitals. The fighting came after a week of student protests against the arrest of 13 political activists — students and university lecturers — who are alleged to have distributed leaflets calling for a permanent Thai constitution.

The beleaguered military government had been in power since November, 1971, when it took over in a coup and abolished the constitution. A committee of the appointed national legislature last February was assigned to draft a new constitution. The last Thai constitution, however, was 10 years in the making, and many Thais were concerned whether the new one would come any sooner.

After a peaceful march on Saturday that drew more than 100,000 students and as many others, the government made two concessions: it promised to implement a new constitution within a year — instead of by February, 1976 — and it unconditionally freed the 13 dissidents who had been jailed for a week on charges of treason.

(AP, UPI, Reuters)

Israel delegation in Argentina gets press spotlight

The Israeli delegation to the inauguration of President Juan Peron in Buenos Aires last Friday found itself the centre of attention because of the Middle East fighting, delegation head Yehoshua Tsur said in Jerusalem yesterday. Mr. Tsur is chairman of the Jewish National Fund directorate and a former ambassador to Argentina.

Mr. Tsur was greeted by hordes of TV cameramen and newsmen when he arrived at Buenos Aires on Thursday. His radio and TV interviews were broadcast over all major stations and channels.

He reported that public opinion in the Argentine capital was generally pro-Israel, despite the fact that most war news came from Arab sources.

The only indication of anti-Israel sentiment during the Israel delegation's stay was a crudely anti-Semitic sheet distributed in the streets by a leftist organization. A press conference was given by the head of the Syrian delegation, received scant notice in the local press, Mr. Tsur reported.



Representative Gerald Ford and his wife leaving the White House on Friday night, after President Nixon chose him for the office of Vice-President. (Story — Page one) (AP radiophoto)

Fuel: Europe not yet 'seriously worried'

BRUSSELS. — The Middle East war will affect oil supplies to consumers in the West only if it lasts for a month or more, oil experts here said yesterday.

The fighting has already stopped the shipment of a million barrels of oil a day from Syrian ports, and some European governments have said that they have prepared emergency rationing programmes. But the experts said the time for "serious concern" had not yet arrived.

Although U.S. dependence on Middle East oil is expected to rise sharply over the next five years, the area now provides only 8 per cent of American oil needs.

Western Europe, by contrast, gets 80 per cent of its oil from Arab countries and Iran. However, all the Common Market countries have a reserve for at least 65 days.

Actual reserve statistics are secret, but are believed to be closer to 90 days in some countries. Added to this there is oil currently in transport.

Common Market officials said that, with these reserves, a relatively mild rationing programme could enable Europe to withstand a total Middle East oil cut-off of four to six months — probably longer than such oil-producing countries as Iraq could afford.

The experts said however that the problem could become serious if the war lasted for months; if the oil-producing Arab countries of the Persian Gulf reduced or stopped shipments for any length of time; or if the Arabs carried through their often-repeated threat to use oil as a political weapon against Israel's supporters in the West — particularly the U.S. If this happened, the experts said, the Europeans might be asked to share oil with America.

A Kuwaiti message says that representatives of Arab oil-producing countries will meet there tomorrow to discuss oil prices and the Middle East War.

The announcement came as members of the Board of Oil Workers' Union urged the government to cut its oil production by 50 per cent and allot the remainder to the Arab war effort.

Kuwait's Oil Minister, Abdul Rahman Salameh Alkadi, said tomorrow's meeting was designed "to study the price issue and also discuss the situation resulting from the recent developments."

It is stated that the oil ministers will also discuss financial aid to Egypt and Syria. Eleven Arab countries — Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Libya, Iraq, Syria, Algeria, Egypt, Qatar, Abu Dhabi, Bahrain and Dubai — will attend the conference. They provide about 60 per cent of the world's oil needs. (UPI, AP)

NATO CHIEF WARNS OF ESCALATION Oil-stoppage would be 'close to hostile act'

BONN (UPI). — The Nato Secretary-General, Joseph Luns, said yesterday that any halting of Arab oil shipments to the West would come close to an hostile act. "Without oil, the situation for the West would be very difficult," Luns said in an interview with the mass-circulation newspaper, "Bild."

"At extremely heavy consumption the West's oil reserves will last out for two months, but there also is oil in Nigeria, Venezuela and Indonesia," Luns said.

In reply to a question whether any Arab blocking of oil shipments would amount to Nato's being in a state of war with Arab oil-producing countries, Luns said: "No, but this would come very close to an hostile act."

Luns said that "as far as I can see, the Russians have done nothing to hold back the Arabs. I share the deep disappointment of U.S. Secretary of State Kissinger. The Soviets are now trying also to talk the other Arab countries into attacking Israel. This is in violation of the agreement reached between Nixon and Brezhnev, and is in contrast to the letters and spirit of the agreement signed by the two statesmen in San Clemente" early this year.

Luns said that "We have all indications that the Soviets support the Arabs in a massive way with deliveries of rockets, munition, light arms, and perhaps even with tanks."

"Nato is concerned about the situation. At first, there was this surprise attack, which occupies our military leaders' minds. The arms being used in the Middle East, especially the rockets, also keep our minds busy, and there also is the danger of an escalation if the Russians continue their heavy arms shipments."

In reply to the interviewer's question whether he thought that Israel has nuclear weapons, Luns said: "To be frank, I do not believe that anything will happen there in this respect. I have no confirmation that Israel has atomic weapons... Perhaps the Israelis would resort to such means in the event of an extreme emergency, providing they had such means at their disposal."

Diplomatic sources said last week no EEC initiative on the Middle East could be expected as long as the U.N. Security Council had not made a resolution on the war.

Pope Paul VI said yesterday that the Middle East War threatens to become a "prologue to other, incalculable catastrophes."

The world cannot remain a passive spectator of the war, waiting to see its outcome, just because "it is not new," the Pope told a crowd in St. Peter's Square. He spoke from the window of his private studio.

"It is a bankrupt waste of human lives and of immense wealth that threatens to be a prologue to other, incalculable catastrophes," he said.

In Moscow yesterday the Soviet Communist Party in its latest list of slogans called for an end to what it termed Israeli aggression and for a reliable peace throughout the Middle East.

The slogans appeared on the front page of all Moscow newspapers to mark the 56th anniversary of the October 1917 revolution to be celebrated in three weeks' time.

"Peoples of the world demand an end to Israeli aggression against the Arab states, liberation of all the Arab territories occupied by the Israeli aggressors, and the establishment of a reliable peace for all the peoples and states of the Middle East," one slogan said. (AP, UPI, Reuters)

Soviet cargo ships pass Turkish Straits
ISTANBUL (AP). — Two Russian military cargo ships yesterday passed through the Turkish Straits from the Black Sea to the Mediterranean, the semi-official Anatolian Agency reported.

Meanwhile, the agency said that next week three American destroyers will pass through the Straits from the Mediterranean to the Black Sea for "manoeuvres."

Lebanon warned about terrorist attacks

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — Israel said over the weekend that terrorist squads from Lebanon had been making systematic attacks against civilian targets in northern Israel and warned that Lebanon must bear full responsibility for the consequences.

In a letter to Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, Israel U.N. representative, Yosef Tekoa, submitted a long list of towns and settlements which he said had been hit by bazooka shells, Katyusha rockets, mortar bombs and small arms fire, causing casualties and damage.

"Lebanon, as has been pointed out on many previous occasions, must bear full responsibility for the inevitable consequences of its policies, actions and omissions and should blame only itself for them."

Tekoa also said Lebanon had put into operation radar installations "to serve the needs of Syrian aggression against Israel."

He said a Lebanese protest to Mr. Waldheim last Tuesday against an Israeli air raid on a Lebanese radar facility was "a further example of the insolence and hypocrisy of the Lebanese Government in line with the Arab theory that it is permissible to attack Israel but that Israel has no right to defend itself."

Tekoa renewed previous charges that "Arab terrorist organizations" had their headquarters in Beirut and that the Lebanese authorities granted them complete freedom of action.

He asked for his letter to be circulated as a document of both the Security Council and the General Assembly.

French frogmen rescue sailor from dredger

CALAIS (AP). — French Navy frogmen pulled a young seaman alive and unhurt from the sunken dredger Cap de la Hague early yesterday at the climax of a three-day rescue operation. Rescue officials said the search of the submerged wreck would continue for five other men earlier believed to be trapped in the craft.

The officials admitted, however, that they had little hope of finding anyone else alive. The survivor, 24-year-old engineer's mate Lionel Firard, told rescuers he was trapped alone in the ship's pump chamber ever since the Cap de la Hague capsized on Thursday, and knew nothing of the whereabouts of the other crew members.

Two men were rescued on Thursday and two others were found dead. Another 10 crew members were missing.

Dozens of frogmen, divers, demolition experts and navy men from France, Belgium, Holland, West Germany, and Britain took part in the difficult and dangerous operation three kms. off the Channel beach west of Calais.

The capsized dredger, built with double reinforced steel hulls to operate in pack ice, was towed close to shore and later sank to the shallow bottom.

'East Germany sent Arabs arms continuously'

BERLIN (UPI). — Elisabeth Ben Horin, Israel Ambassador to West Germany, said yesterday in an interview with the West Berlin newspaper "Morgenpost" that East Germany continuously has supplied arms to the Arab states.

"The German Democratic Republic not only always has supported the Arab states, politically in a cynical way against Israel, but continuously has delivered military material to them," he said.

East Germany also has given the Palestine terrorist movement a base for activity, he said.

"The thought that a generation after Auschwitz, a German state supports Arab intentions and efforts to destroy Israel is monstrous," Mr. Ben Horin said.

Aswan Dam said ecological mess

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (UPI). — A space agency consultant said on Saturday that photographs from the Skylab II space mission show Egypt's Aswan Dam to be an "ecological disaster" which has dried up 1,500 square miles of the Nile Delta.

Richard Underwood, photographic consultant for the Skylab space shuttle and NASA's Earth Resources Programme, said the impoundment of water also has changed the saline content of the Mediterranean Sea.

"The Aswan project is an engineering marvel but an ecological disaster," Underwood said.

He said the pictures revealed large populations of sealife have abandoned many areas in the Mediterranean, affecting persons as far as 5,000 miles away.

4 bodies found in U.S. car trunk

PONTIAC, Michigan (UPI). — A group of youths on Saturday found the bodies of four persons, including a child, neatly stacked in the trunk of an abandoned car on the city's east side.

Pontiac police identified the victims of what appeared to be an execution-type slaying as John R. Gibson, 48, Donald Cobb, 29, Charles Brown, 22, and Latiffa Compton, 2, all of Pontiac.

Police said one of the youths told police he and several friends found the car near a field with the keys in the ignition. After driving the car around the field, police said, the youths noticed that a dog had become attracted to the trunk.

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Syria charges again: U.S. pilots fly for Israel

CAIRO (UPI). — Syria told the Arab League yesterday that American planes flown by pilots who have served in Vietnam are taking part in the Israeli air attacks on Syria, the Middle East News Agency reported. A Syrian message to the 18-nation league said: "Inform the authorities on the highest possible level of the following: American planes which carry no Israeli markings are taking part in the air attacks and are piloted by professional pilots who, according to verified information, had served in Vietnam."

"Please make it clear that this is a development of large proportions and inform the information media on the broadest level."

In Beirut, the newspaper "Al-Moharrer" said yesterday that Vietnamese troops would be coming to the Middle East soon as volunteers to fight against Israel. The paper said the "Vietnamese revolutionaries" would join the battle on the Arab side "on the same basis as the American volunteers who have been entering Israel since the fighting started."

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U.N. COUNCIL DEADLOCK EXPECTED TO CONTINUE

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — The Security Council's 15-member body is expected to reach a deadlock on any issue dealing with the Middle East, diplomats said yesterday.

General Assembly today adopted five of the 10 non-permanent members of the Council for a two-term. Two of them are expected to be Belarusia and Iraq. The other candidates are Mauritania, Cameroon and Costa Rica.

Costa Rica would replace Yugoslavia as the East European member, and Cameroon would be in place of Africa and Guinea, and Iraq would be single Asian member instead of India, and Costa Rica the one American member instead of Mexico.

U.N. diplomats said that of the five, only Costa Rica could be considered a friend of Israel.

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Bomb hoax at Israel Embassy in Rome

ROME (AP). — Police searched the Israel Embassy in Rome early yesterday after an anonymous caller said a bomb was about to blow up the building. Nothing was found in the search, and embassy workers were allowed back into the building after a couple of hours, the police said.

Jordanian cook happy to join war

by ROYAL BRIGHTEBILL
AMMAN (UPI). — A jubilant Jordanian cook, who said he was "happy to join the war," erupted from the open kitchen of a roadside restaurant 32 kms. from the Jordanian border with Syria, and began talking to the press in a loud excited voice.

The cook, a man in his early 30s, described paths with his hands, and the words "Israel," "Damascus," and "Jordan," clearly through the Arabic.

In broken English, and by making a tissue, he said Jordan had crossed the northern border to help the Syrian forces.

No doubt he was right, at 3 p.m. the Jordanian army had crossed the border, and a group of its best units was moving into the Syrian town of Amman, which was avoided the war for seven days.

Signs of war began to show for the first time. The government requested all citizens not to drive more than 100 kms. and began to limit their purchases to tankfuls.

Saturday, cars were forming long lines at petrol stations. Motorists filled as many cans as they could, fearing a complete cutoff. A government spokesman discounted rumours of a cutoff and said Jordan normally has a six-month reserve of fuel.

Jordanian motorists began shading their car headlights with "Nealeh," a blinding agent for washing eyes. Many also covered their chrome trim with the royal blue material.

In the vegetable market district, activity was normal with the usual throngs of shoppers. However, long bread lines formed at bakeries, and a policeman was seen in one vegetable stand filling out a report on the owner for overcharging.

This incident could not be attributed to the new situation, however, as the government sets price limitations for food even in normal times.

The Jordanian airline Atia cancelled all scheduled arrivals and departures, because nearly all the air space surrounding Jordan belongs to warring nations. "The only way out is through Saudi Arabia, and that's too much trouble," a spokesman said. "It would make the flight from London 10 hours long."

On Saturday, the Education Minister ordered the closing of all schools except the University of Jordan. A U.S. Information Service spokesman said the American School also remained open.

The Minister of National Economics announced an increase in facilities for distribution of sugar and rice to the population, and took steps to prevent inflation of food prices or hoarding.

The city went under partial blackout on Saturday night for the first time since the outbreak of the war. A government spokesman said yesterday, "We are gradually escalating to a complete blackout, because with our soldiers at the front, we never know what the Israelis are going to do."

METS LOSE FIRST SERIES GAME TO A'S

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP). — Pitcher Ken Holtzman, batting for only the second time all year, delivered a key double and New York's Felix Millan made a fatal error, helping the Oakland A's to a 2-1 victory on Saturday in baseball's World Series opener that seemed to rob some of the magic from the Mets.

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PUBLIC REQUEST

During the past few days we have witnessed wonderful volunteer acts by the public on the home front who are doing much to make things easier for the soldiers on the battlefield.

These acts are expressed by the large quantities of material which are being poured into our central offices, including transistor radios, light reading matter in Hebrew, games, cigarettes, sweets and so forth and also many donations of money, intended for raising entertainment and welfare accessories for the soldiers on the front.

As the battle drags on, the greater the need for these necessities becomes and every gift will be gratefully accepted.

Nevertheless, to prevent the possibility of money donated for caring for soldiers not reaching its correct destination, we are requesting the public to take care to give their donations only to representatives of the Soldiers Welfare Committee who bear authorization signed by us and our official receipt book.

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Eager volunteers at Shaare Zedek

By JUDY SIEGEL

Special to The Jerusalem Post
The war has turned housewives into mail carriers, yeshiva boys into men helpers, and lawyers into ambulance drivers, as thousands of civilians volunteer to fill in the men and women in uniform. Shaare Zedek Hospital, which is now caring almost exclusively for wounded soldiers, has been inundated by offers of help. Nearly 800 people of all ages and backgrounds — tourists, new immigrants and old residents — have lined up in the last week, says David Maier, the hospital's director-general, "and we didn't even have a place for them to come."

"We've been able to put only 130 of them to work," adds his deputy administrator, Nachum Pessin, "but when the need for more arises, I can inform the public at once."

Immature white-coated volunteers, who are in 12-hour shifts along with the hospital personnel, can be found everywhere, entertaining patients, helping doctors on rounds, and pushing moving beds and scrubbing laundry.

David Eshelbacher, a 17-year-old yeshiva student from Cleveland, Ohio, in the hospital's busy kitchen, where many meals are prepared daily. His face smudged with flour, he was attacking a big oven, with a putty knife, wool and soapy rags. "I've had ovens before in camp," he says, "but this big one is a real challenge."

A few steps away, three Israeli school boys wearing surgical masks prepare to scrub a pile of pots that reach half-way up the wall. An hour later, the tower has been levelled and everything is neatly away. Commented on Nahman, the director of the hospital, "This place has never been much great shape!"

David Eshelbacher, a 24-year-old student who arrived from London six weeks ago, helped build the hospital's succo, replenish the warehouse and do other odd jobs. "It is menial work, but I wanted to contribute in some small way. I more than ever before, that I'm here and that the whole world is against us. I'm no longer idle; the break had to come, and I'm here."

Teenagers are also being utilized as first-line responders. When Shaare Zedek informed of new admissions, a sound and a dozen of the 16-17-year-old volunteers quickly into formation on the front lines, ready to carry in the stret-

chers. One chilly night last week, there was a false alarm, and they sat at attention and waited for nearly an hour. Another time, during the day, they raced to open an ambulance door only to find it packed with a shipment of oranges. Lining the hospital's gate is a queue of private cars belonging to volunteer drivers — tailors, professors, students, factory owners, all of them wanting to be of service. They are prepared to shuttle hospital workers back and forth during the day or in the blacked-out streets at night.

Hospital drivers were given rabbinical permission to work on Shabbat and Succot because of the life and death nature of the emergency. "The hospital rabbi insisted that those who do so are Orthodox and dress in holiday clothes, because it is such a great mitzvah," explains Zvi Caspi, a former Israeli consul in New York and now on loan from the Foreign Office to Shaare Zedek. It created the unusual situation of an Orthodox volunteer driving two staff workers — who turned out to be gentiles — to the hospital on the Sabbath.

FATHERS AT WAR
"Twelve brivot have been performed in the week since Yom Kippur for babies whose fathers were at war," says Yosef Weissberg, the hospital's mohel. Volunteers arranged a meal for each family and joined in on the mitzvah. "And during the idle hours of waiting to be called, one of the drivers — a rabbi in normal times — gave a Talmud class for the other volunteers."

Medical specialists have been arriving at the hospitals from abroad for days, without being asked to come. Dr. Arnold Gurevitch, a surgeon at the University Hospital in Birmingham, England, packed a suitcase and fought "the madhouse at Heathrow Airport" to get a seat on an Israeli-bound plane. "I asked my wife to tell my boss where I am," he says.

Surrounded by concerned volunteers, doctors and nurses, the wounded soldiers are in fine spirits. A case filled with pink roses decorates every bed table, and television sets donated by local merchants inform the patients of the latest news.

"Is there any help that you still need?" I ask Tamar Halahmi, the hospital's chief of nurses who has been at work around the clock. "Nothing I can think of," she replies, "except at my house. It's never been so messy."

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Volunteers in Shaare Zedek's kitchen.

Bid to improve health of world textile workers

GENEVA. — Action to improve the working and living conditions of the world's 8,000,000 textile workers was called for by the Textiles Committee of the International Labour Organisation, which ended a two-week session here at the end of last month.

The Committee, which included government officials and representatives of management and labour from 28 countries (Israel among them), stressed that provisions for protecting the lives and health of textile workers should keep pace with technological changes in the industry.

It said internationally acceptable

permitted levels of disease-causing dust should be established. Similar standards should be set for levels of noise, a hazard which can cause not only occupational deafness after prolonged exposure, but can also affect the circulatory system, digestion and the nervous and endocrine gland systems.

Recognising the growing seriousness of the problem of unemployment and under-employment throughout the world, particularly in developing countries, the Committee said that more could be done in these countries to increase employment by promoting their textile and related industries.

(ILO News)

Wartime radio opinion poll

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Haifa. — The Prime Minister's Office has commissioned a rapid public opinion survey, on what the Israeli citizen thinks, feels, fears and needs most in terms of communication between himself and the government in war-time. The survey is being carried out jointly by the Israel Institute for Applied Social Research, the Communications Centre of the Hebrew University, and the Israel Broadcasting Authority, and will be ready by mid-week.

Questionnaires are being filled in by teams of high school students, who put about 30 questions to a cross-section of the population on what TV programmes have the most calming effect on them and their children; what are the relative merits of radio and TV programmes in the first war in which both these media are in operation; whether he or she gives credence to news not broadcast by either radio or TV; whether the government does enough to explain its policies; what particular aspect of the war situation worries the citizen most; whether he or she believes news announced by the radio stations of the neighbouring countries and not by Israel, etc.

Prof. Gutman and his experts prepared the questionnaire through Thursday night, and distributed it on Friday at noon. By Friday afternoon, 200 high school students were swarmed out to question "Mr. and Mrs. Israel," and fill in their answers.

Some suspicious residents telephoned the Police, to report the matter, and to ask whether the poll was legitimate. The Public Opinion Institute and the Prime Minister's Office forgot that the alert public here is security-conscious, and that in war-time, the Police too should have been informed of the poll.

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- Acrid (6)
- Acquires knowledge (5)
- Repute (5)
- Steady (5)
- Steady (5)

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS

- One's spot on the step (5)
- They have an absorbing interest in house (5)
- Old Bob joined up and went forth (7)
- A ray possibility for (5)
- From house seamen's homes (5)
- Ford grinder (5)
- Period more than ever (7)
- Coolest ingredient in porridge making (5)
- Figure I got old and bent (4)
- City of the modern m's (6)
- Make free allusions? (5)

DOWN

- Nautically inclined (5)
- It's the American's turn again to be positive (4)
- Let's get on (5)
- Now round the peak and went no further (7)
- That's that's soft every time (5)
- Mark and I get Stan to come (5)
- Faraway who turned to the sea for work (5)
- Want pre-filling? (7)
- Went to prison (5)
- Robber bands! (5)
- What the motorist did as well as Ted (5)
- She lives with a fellow (6)
- Beam he gave when his own retained the Ashes? (3)
- Liquid fiery green (5)
- Nat. Rose, the ability (5)
- Modern centre for river (5)
- A little brass where Hitler is (5)
- Met some Reds and shared things out (5)
- Land which much impact (5)
- Representative picks (5)
- Clashing gear? (5)
- Being too late to (5)
- Which to get me a change of hat (5)
- Incense related to a meeting (5)
- Parade Lane (5)
- Like power-boat mostly raised from the step (5)
- In which Barker learned to skunk? (6)
- Winter found in a miner's cottage (5)
- This best a navy could wish (5)
- Familiar name for a means of communication (3)

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Certification of family planning

JOSE OTTENSEN Jensen, who died in Stockholm at the beginning of last month at the age of 88, a pioneer of family planning, a firm friend of Israel. One of the 18 children of a Norwegian clergyman, she grew up in a family that cultivated home, and when she became a revolution figure for her times. Her ideals were based on a religious fervour. She Ottsen took up dentistry as a career but was forced to abandon it when she injured a hand in an accident. Moving in 1908 to Sweden where she took up journalism, she met her future husband, Bert Jensen, reformer, pacifist and one of the few genuine Socialists. A journalist, she specialised in women's problems and in 1933 founded the Swedish Association for Sex Education. She fought against many existing laws and initiated Sweden's legislation permitting abortion in schools. In 1946, she moved to found the International Planned Parenthood Federation, and was its second president until her death. She was nominated for the Nobel Prize in 1972.

Ever since her youth, she had been interested in the Jewish people and many of her closest friends and associates were Jews, among them Margaret Sanger, Abraham and Hannah Stone and Anna Rivkin-Brick. She visited Israel for the first time in 1951, together with Anna Rivkin-Brick, and came here on six subsequent occasions. During her visits here, she was invited to lecture to doctors, teachers and women soldiers, as well as the International Women's Seminar on Mount Carmel. On her 80th birthday a kindergarten and road in Or Akiva were named in her honour.

Jose Ottsen-Jensen felt personally any trouble that befell Israel and she wrote a moving letter to her Israeli friends after the Munich massacre. Last year, when she was already in and blind, a journalist asked her if she were not afraid of death and she replied: "When you have had a long and rich life, you really have the right to sleep. But at the same time, it is so exciting to live and see how life goes on."

EVA UNGER

MIXED-UP MEDIA

By
HELGA DUDMAN

THEY'VE learned how to fight from us, and we've learned how to handle information from them. So goes the joke that popped up in cafes, groceries, and shelters a few days ago. It has, to all indications, run its course. Our local broadcasts are no longer the glittering generalities that they were early in the war's first week; and new battle-lines permit us to judge Arab communications in the light of current reality.

Criticism of the handling of news has been widespread during this war. We are, after all, a nation of critics, and we had long, grim hours in which armchair strategists could speculate on what was being held back and why. Conflicting reports from abroad did not help — not only regarding military fronts, but in diplomatic complexities from sources no less than Dr. Henry Kissinger.

At the simple "How should we feel?" level, the public was confused when General Agranat told us that there is a serious gap between home front behaviour and that of the front line, while Mrs. Meir tells us that we at home have never behaved better. Perhaps too many press conferences have been televised to the Israeli public. We do not need to hear quite so often the questions asked by foreign correspondents.

Before we finally began getting hard news reports, my own faith had dipped to the point where I thought everything was in code. Not only those sudden interrupting electronic beeps calling for "Flashpot" on Yom Kippur and after, or "Pocket Screwdriver." Not only that repeated message in sunny weather about "the fog on the roads" dispelling, and for problems "to call Rina at headquarters." But even the notices to soldiers on Gali Zehut about "Where are the car keys?" and "Your brother-in-law called from Australia."

One of the main villains may be the fact that we have become victims of the media. Torrents of words must be produced, and we begin to salivate every hour on the hour. Technically, it is now far too easy to flash statements instantly to millions of listeners, viewers, or readers, all plugged in electroni-

cally and hungry for ever-changing phrases. In the absence of news, we are programmed to feel desolate. But their presence may be far worse. Words were weighed more carefully, and had more lasting value when the media consisted of illuminated manuscripts, hand-set type, or the town crier. The word "hand-out" used to mean something for the poor — now it is something for the press.

Cairo's information planners achieved a cute victory early in the war. It did not cost them a penny. They simply announced that this time, unlike their performance in the '67 war, they would be truthful, non-hysterical, "classic and calm."

Who could ask for anything more? Off with the Israel Broadcasting Services, who were giving no figures or place names, and whose bosses were not permitting foreign correspondents to the front; on with Cairo Radio. (One observation: Cairo's rejection of its own policy in the last war is a curious reflection on the hallowed memory of Nasser.)

Barbaric treatment

And so, what was Cairo Radio broadcasting? On Friday night, one item covered the "touching scene of an Egyptian soldier giving a drink of water to an Israeli prisoner — proof of the Arab policy that once a soldier is taken prisoner, he gets the best of care, in sharp contrast to the barbaric treatment Israelis give prisoners."

The announcer — this was the "English Programme of the Hebrew Section of Cairo Radio" — also referred to Israel's "abandoning of innocent Arabs in Gaza without trial." As late into the war as Thursday night, Cairo was still geared to the events of Schoenau in Austria, Israel's election cam-

paign, and the poverty gap — issues all but forgotten here since then. If this is the best they have learned from us, we can breathe more easily.

Dov Yinnon, Israel Radio's Arab affairs analyst, pounced on Cairo's "new policy," giving examples which show that they are in fact merely doing business at the same old stand. Stories from our reporters at the front showed up, in addition, the gap between changes accepted by correspondents accredited to Arab countries and current reality.

Example: A Reuters report, printed by The Jerusalem Post last Friday, and filed after journalists crossed the Canal from Egypt, claimed "the gap between officers and men, once believed to be wide in the Egyptian army and which was said to have contributed to the 1967 defeat, seemed all but forgotten."

But Israeli soldiers were not reading the papers; they were encountering Egyptians.

"We had specific orders to treat wounded officers ahead of wounded soldiers," said a captured Egyptian doctor.

An Israeli officer reported our troops found it incredible that Arabs landed commando units "with no possible means of escape — helicopters brought them and left," leaving men in the desert for as long as six days with inadequate supplies, until their surrender.

"When we gave them food, they fell upon it ravenously..."

On the other hand, some of our broadcasts have been worse than poor. I have not found anybody who was not indignant at Dan Shilon's interview on Friday evening of the captured Egyptian pilot. The question, "How would you compare Egyptian and Israeli pilots?" not to mention the reference to the pilot's lack of shoes, was incredibly out of place. Even more incredible was the decision to re-broadcast this item on the English programme. It was in English — a language the pilot speaks just a shade better than Mr. Shilon — but that was hardly reason to repeat an exchange in which the captured pilot came out by far the best.

Dry Bones



WAR HEIGHTENS POLITICAL DIVISION French party rank split over Mideast

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The new war between Israel and its Arab neighbours has highlighted once again the divisions which emerge in France within the ranks of both the government majority and the left-wing opposition as soon as the Middle East becomes a subject of debate.

The past week has seen no exception to the long-established rule. Gaullist has clashed with Gaullist and Socialist with Socialist on official party policy towards the conflict with the same enthusiasm and bitterness as during the Six Day War and the recurrent crises in Israeli-French relations over the last six years.

The outbreak of hostilities on the battlefield was followed three days later by the first motion of censure tabled against the French Government since the general election last March. Although the Middle East was not on the agenda, speakers of all parties seized their chance in the National Assembly to defend or attack France's policy towards the two rival camps.

Foreign Minister Michel Jobert's defence of the Arab attackers as people who were merely trying "to return to their own land" provoked criticism from the Gaullists' Independent Republican allies. The Independents, whose leader Valéry Giscard d'Estaing is Minister of Finance, promptly urged the government to conduct policy "without taking sides with one camp or the other or giving the impression of doing so."

Gaullist hard line

Among the Gaullists, the Government's hard line towards Israel has been vigorously condemned by a number of MPs including D. Dismède Catroux, a former Minister under General de Gaulle, Claude-Gérard Maroux, Gen. Pierre de Benouville and M. Joel Letac.

Premier Pierre Messmer is alarmed at the prospect that the Assembly's debate on the Middle East crisis, which is to be held on Wednesday, will heighten the resentment against President Pompidou's bill to shorten the presidential term of office from seven to five years. The Deputies are scheduled to discuss this controversial reform on Tuesday and the Senate will examine it on Thursday.

In spite of their sympathy for Israel, the Socialists have been jolted by the vigour of the Communists

condemnation of the Israeli Government and do not wish to let their alliance in their joint programme, the two parties' refusal to Israel is confined to an unwillingness to seek peace and support in the Middle East, uphold the sovereignty of all countries in the region — including Israel — and safeguard the rights of the Palestinians. Since this formula is vague, the Socialists felt it served no purpose to clash with the Communists on a purely ideological issue. Indeed, the Socialists consider that the only people fit would be the splinter group the New Left who would be split by a split between the Socialists and the Communists.

Extreme left

On the extreme left, support for the Arabs is unanimous, although varying shades of attitude are perceptible. When "L'Humanité" the Marxist-Leninist weekly, organised a meeting in solidarity with the Arabs at a big Paris hall, many Arab workers' efforts to hear a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization for "the total destruction of and the creation of a democratic and lay Palestinian State."

This meeting, like a demonstration organised the previous day, a predominantly Arab working district in northern Paris, on the influence among Arab workers here of the Maoists, and parties of M. Alain Eliamar's proletarian movement which has been banded by the government, left are now militant members of the Arab workers movement.

But the extreme left-wing of French Communists boycotted workers' rally on the grounds the Arab workers movement is too much emphasis on the role of Arab nationalism and Islam. Instead the U.F.C. calls for a socialist and lay basis for a fight against Israel. This is also the point of view of the Trotskyist "Rouge" and "Lutte Ouvrière." Right across the French political spectrum from right to left, monolithic parties and groups are given by arguments of the rights and wrongs of the batters in the Middle East, over their own solutions for a settlement. It looks like being a fight which will long outlast the war on the battlefields. For politicians run out of breath more slowly than armies.

Readers' letters

WELFARE PLANS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — I read with great interest Mr. Eliezer Jaffe's article of October 3 criticizing the Jerusalem Municipality's welfare plans and I agree with him that the gravity of this problem makes it a major responsibility.

The Alignment, which has a majority on the Municipal Council, entrusted the Welfare Department to Rabbi Forish in order to rid itself of this burden. Apparently, the welfare problem is not attractive enough for the representatives of the Alignment on the Jerusalem Municipal Council.

At the same time, I must take issue with Mr. Jaffe's claim that no party involved in the municipal elections is dealing with this problem. Welfare reform is an important part of my programme. Like Mr. Jaffe, I am convinced that we must draw up and approve a master welfare plan for Jerusalem.

URI HUPERT
Independent Liberal
Candidates in Jerusalem
Jerusalem, October 4.

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE SERVICE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Referring to Prof. Isaac Garrod's letter (September 31), may I say that the need for information for Members of Knesset, speedy concise and reliable, is paramount, and has been recognized by Speakers of the Knesset and their assistants. A modest beginning has been made in the outgoing Knesset — by providing consultation services to Committees, through qualified academic personnel, on the one hand, and on the other, by instituting a small nucleus of graduate students within the Knesset Library, who are in a position to collect and synthesize data on various subjects, both for Committees and for individual Members of Knesset. I am confident that both services will be continued and expanded in the future.

This does not mean, however, that the Legislative Reference Service of the U.S. Congress, admirable as it is, can serve as a model for a "small emerging country such as ours." I shall mention just one reason: Members of the U.S. Congress have relatively large personal staffs at their disposal — up to 16 persons per member. Most of the work of the U.S. Legislative Reference Service is performed on behalf of these legislative assistants, or on behalf of their constituents. The development of a large central apparatus in the Knesset without parallel development of personal staffs for Members of Knesset, who, as Prof. Garrod correctly points out, "do not enjoy even the services of a secretary," might create the threat of dependence of Members of Knesset on Knesset staff, and a resultant imbalance which ought to be avoided just as much as an imbalance between Government and Knesset.

NETANEL LORCH
Secretary-General of the Knesset
Jerusalem, October 7.

PHONE SERVICE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — It is nice and gratifying and even exhilarating to know that I can reach my sister in Paris by telephone with the greatest ease, but I find it next to impossible to reach my son in Jerusalem or my daughter in Haifa. Nerve-racking attempts are rarely crowned with success.

ANNE LAZARUS
Binyamina, October 2.

INCOMPETENT NEGOTIATORS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — With reference to your report, "Engineers asked to arbitrate claims" (October 1), I wonder why a labour contract signed over a year retroactively now has to be the reason for another strike? Can the people who negotiate these contracts be so incompetent? My own experience leads me to believe that this may indeed be the case. I am a weather forecaster at Lod Airport and we will soon be "forced" to go out on strike be-

"AGAINST JEWS"

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Moshe Kohn's articles are original and thought-provoking. I thought that only Galut Jews were so sensitive about the feelings of non-Jews towards them. Yet, Mr. Kohn writes on October 2, that Jewish doctors in Israel are afraid to offend the sensibilities of Druse who oppose (actively at times) post-mortem dissections; but these same doctors energetically campaign against the "fanatic, benighted 'orthodox' Jews" who dare to stop the progress of medical science by opposing autopsies. Mr. Kohn did the readers a great service by reporting some of the news stories quoting the doctors and other officials in this matter.

I say, let's be proud, consistent, non-Galut type Israelis. Either all of us opposing the practice of forcing autopsies against the family's wishes are reactionaries to be dealt with severely, or none of us are. Let's not discriminate only against Jews!

RABBI S. LEVIN
Bat Yam, October 4.

CHILE RECOGNIZED

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — I have never understood Israel's prompt recognition of the Chilean Junta — even from the point of view of strict self-interest. It replaced by force and violence a duly elected socialist government. Chile is not a large or productive nation allied to a monolithic power bloc. Our recognition has put yet another weapon into the hands of our enemies to beat us with and to attack and sully our motives, our image and our humanitarianism. Even the U.S. which might theoretically have appreciated our gesture did not leap in with instant recognition.

DEBORAH SAR
Tel Aviv, October 4.

BRIT MILA

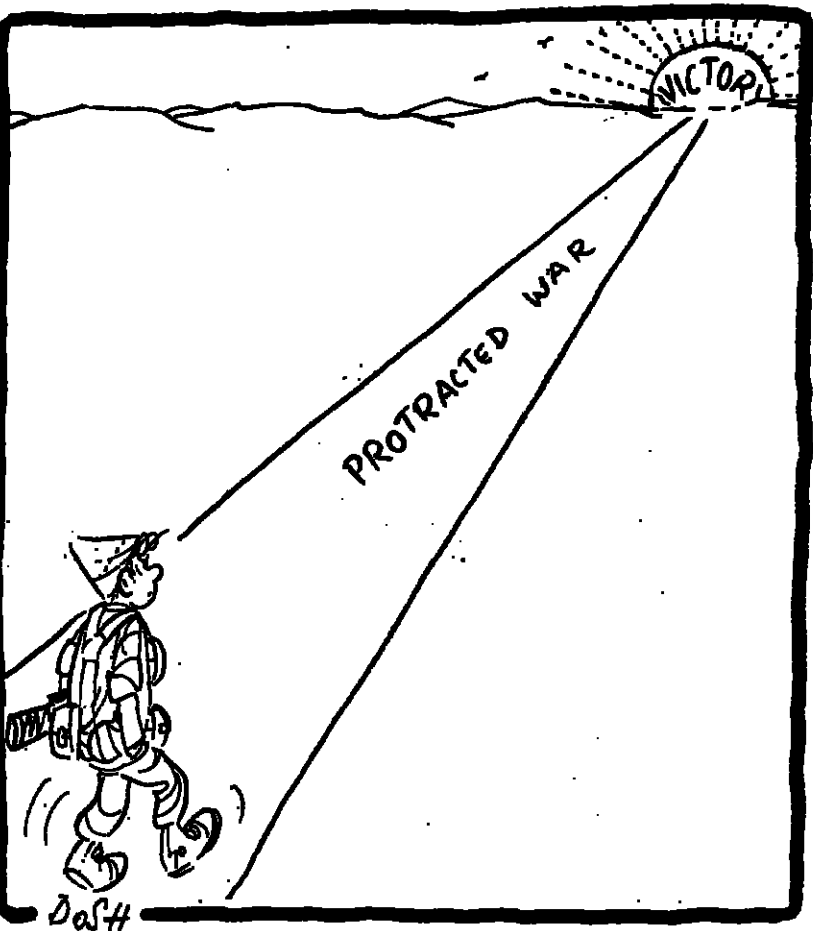
To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Thank you for the pleasant surprise (photograph) on page 3 of your issue of October 9.

However, the name of my daughter-in-law and my grandson is Avitour.

MICHAEL AVITZOUR
Deputy Director General, Ort Israel
Tel Aviv, October 9.

ROBERT OLINSKY

Petah Tikva, October 1.



FOREIGN PRESS

'Hussein makes token gesture'

The New York Times, in an editorial entitled "Hussein at war," said yesterday: "Acting under extreme pressure from other Arab countries and from firebrands in Jordan itself, King Hussein finally sent his troops into the Arab-Israeli war on Saturday. But for the moment it seems that he did the minimum that he had to in order to provide some release from the pressures on him."

Hussein sent an undisclosed number of elite troops to fight in Syria while pointedly refraining from using his entire army to attack Israel across the two countries' long common border. Presumably the King is hoping that the Israelis will accept his move into the war as a token gesture and spare Jordan itself any direct participation in the fighting.

"But if the war continues the pressure will increase on all Arab countries to join in the fighting and to escalate their contributions of troops, planes and other resources. Already it is evident that the Arab United Front against Israel includes Egyptian, Syrian, Iraqi, Moroccan and Jordanian forces, while there are also reports of Libyan planes and Saudi Arabian troops joining this coalition."

Simultaneously, the world has learned of a substantial airlift by the USSR designed to assure that the Arab forces have adequate munitions, missiles and other supplies, while so far only a small-scale resupply operation has been mounted for Israel from this country. Worst of all, there is still no sign of movement toward peace or even a cease-fire, and on both sides of the war hatred and bitterness mount as the number of dead and wounded grows."

In London, The Sunday Telegraph warned that the Arabs might yet attempt the total destruction of Israel.

The conservative newspaper said in an editorial that the latest Arab-Israeli war had already destroyed two basic assumptions: That Israel's army "was always and everywhere irresistible," and that its possession of the territories captured in the 1967 war was "in the absence of a genuine settlement, a sufficient guarantee of her undoubted right to survive and against a renewal of hostilities."

The paper added: "Now the prospect looks very different. The possibility that in some later war the Arabs will attempt the total destruction of Israel must again be taken into account."

"Thus peace, if it is to come at all, can now only be imposed and guaranteed by the international community, which primarily means, not the U.N. but the U.S. and Russia."

But "The Sunday Telegraph" yesterday said the detent between the U.S. and the USSR had vanished at the first real challenge to it.

The Soviet airlift of military supplies to Egypt and Syria had shown that "Russia is behaving exactly as she used to do."

The Observer (independent) commented: "It is unthinkable that the U.S. should allow Israel to be crushed, if that possibility were to arise."

"Similarly, it would be almost equally difficult for the USSR to stand by and do nothing if the armies of the Arab states, which the Russians have equipped, were to be smashed for the fourth time."

"The Observer" said there could be no serious doubts that both the U.S. and the USSR utterly deplore the present war.

The paper called for a fully equipped international force — based on a nucleus of Soviet and American contingents — to be set up in Sinai "to keep the local forces in the region under surveillance."

The right-wing Sunday Express commented that President Anwar Sadat of Egypt could end the war today if he wanted to. "His troops have fought bravely. They have accomplished far more than anyone dreamed they would. Now, with all honour, President Sadat can accept the Israeli offer of a truce on the borders established in 1967."

It goes on, additional inimical elements join the fray. Supplies from the U.S. in quality and quantities that would require the favourable outcome for Israel, which serves the free world against Russian domination."

Al Hamaishmar (Mapam) criticizes the Soviet News Agency Tass for accusing Israel of "crimes" in its bombing. The Russian agency is refuted by facts.

Shearim (Poalei Agudat Yisrael) pauses for a moment to regard the internal political disputes before elections and remarks that we all have one task to attend to. The destruction of the enemy's military capability. A task that has been put off time and again but can no longer be delayed.

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